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TIUC To Issue "Clinic" Call

Members of all CIO International unions affiliated with the Toledo Industrial Union Council will be given a call to attend a "legislative clinic" to be held this month by Toledo area representatives to the Ohio General Assembly, it was announced on Wednesday of this week by Richard Lazette, TIUC secretary.

The decision to issue the call came as a result of action taken by The TIUC Executive Board on Tuesday night of this week and was the first step of a series to be undertaken during April which has been designated as "Defend Labor Month" by the national CIO executive board.

Notice of the date of meeting with the legislators will be announced as soon as the Toledo representatives determine it. The meeting will be held in the Toledo City Council chambers.

Tentative plans were made for other concerted CIO actions to impress upon Congress labor's opposition to anti-labor bills which are now in process of hearings or which are soon to be sent to the House and Senate for debate and vote.

Gosser Praises Community Group

Praise for the Community Improvement Association was expressed by Richard Gosser UAW-CIO Regional Director at the Association's Founder's Day Banquet at the Indiana Branch YMCA, last Saturday.

Discussing the aims of the Association for the improvement of its neighborhood, Director Gosser said, "I have read the aims of your group and they are high. I would not hesitate to recommend them to any group of Americans to follow, regardless of race, color, creed or nationality."

Turning to the proposed Local 12, UAW-CIO boys and girls health camp development at Sand Lake, the UAW-CIO head said, "when our summer camp opens, I hope that the children of my part of the community and your part, will be playing side by side."

The banquet honored Rev. Joseph Smith, founder of the Improvement Association who was presented with a $25 government savings bond.

Reuben Harper, International UAW-CIO representative introduced Mr. Gosser.

No AFL-CIO 'Pressure'

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA)—Daily press reports that the CIO and AFL have put "pressure" on the independent NFTW to call off their pending strike were vigorously denied here this week by an NFTW spokesman. "There hasn't even been a suggestion from either, much less any pressure," he said. The item said that the two feared an NFTW walkout would precipitate Congressional anti-labor legislation.

Canadians Want Control

OTTAWA, Canada (LPA)—Officials of the Canadian Congress of Labor, meeting last week in their annual presentation of views to the Canadian government, report they got no commitments that prices in the dominion would be held down. The union spokesmen told representatives of Prime Minister Mackenzie King that "The government must use controls to defeat Canada's greatest enemy, involuntary poverty," and must keep down prices and control profits.

Insurance Agents Picket Line

Monumental Strike Enters 3rd Week

Agents of the Monumental Life Insurance Co., Gardner Bldg., who have been on strike since March 24, will begin the third week of their work stoppage next Monday.

The strike, which was called when negotiations between the union and management broke down in Cleveland, is effective in Ohio, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Kentucky where the employes are represented by the United Office and Professional Workers-CIO.

The principal issue of the strike is the union's demand for a $50 weekly guarantee for the company's agents who were working without any assured income. Union officials here point out that the company which has its headquarters in Baltimore, Md. can well afford the guarantee. The company's net dividend to its stockholders for 1946 was $406,000.

Policyholders Advised

Ray Lehlbach, UOPWA-CIO representative here today advised policy holders who know that they cannot reinstate their insurance after the grace period allowed in their contract to pay their premiums by mail, but urged all who are in sympathy with the desire of the agents to earn a living wage to wait until the end of the period.

An appeal by the union to Lee Shields, Columbus, State Insurance Commissioner relative to the premiums and grace period has been unanswered.

Federal Conciliation Service has been unable to effect a meeting between the union and company representatives up to the present time.

Danger of a nation-wide insurance strike was suggested by local UOPWA officials who stated that John Hancock, Metropolitan and Prudential insurance agents contracts were up for negotiations and that in each case the company and union were far apart.

ACW Builds New Homes

NEW YORK, April 2 (LPA) — The Amalgamated Clothing Workers-CIO, which pioneered in the field of low-cost housing for its members in 1927, is again showing the way with 700-family apartment development to be built here.

The Almalgamated Housing Corp. announced, within a few hours after Gov. Thomas Dewey signed enabling legislation, that the huge apartment project will get under way very soon. Half of the apartments will be reserved for veterans.

The housing development is a limited dividend coporation, and each tenant will invest $600 a room, plus paying $15 a month a room toward retiring the mortgage and for maintenance costs.

Mayor O'Dwyer, in a statement hailing the plan, said he will recommend to the City Council a law granting 30 year's exemption from real estate taxes on the new buildings.

Troy UAW-CIO Picks Officers

TROY, April 2 — Results of the annual election of Hobart Mfg. Co. Local 128, UAW-CIO were announced here today by Rendall Driscoll, union financial secretary.

Elected were Arthur Fagan, president; William Boram, vice-president; Ruby Roecher, recording secretary; Rendall Driscoll, financial secretary-treasurer; Charles Hines, Arthur Irvin and Mairon Buirley, trustees, Robert Strine, sergeat-at-arms and Charles Moreland guide.

President elect Fagan formerly served as recording secretary.

Closed Shop Hit Lawyers'

LANSING (LPA) — The CIO has never opposed the closed shop of lawyers. But the Michigan state legislature has a bill to require that referees hired by the state unemployment compensation commission must be lawyers. Says the Michigan CIO: "A knowledge of industrial practice, a basic sympathy and understanding of the aims of unemployment compensation, plus a working knowledge of the laws — those things make a good referee. The CIO thinks that requiring referees to have worked in factory and then been laid off is just as reasonable as the requirement that they have a law degree."

Victor Screw Elects

Victor Screw Unit elected the following officers last week: Ralph Zeman, chairman; Dale Enteman, secretary, and Harley Cheeves, treasurer. The new officers will assume their duties following the next regular Unit meeting.

Help Please

Edward J. Duck, assistant Auto-Lite director, again urges Toledo Auto-Lite employes to turn over some of their 1946 paycheck stubs to their executive committeemen as quickly as possible. They will be used in the organizational drive in Auto-Lite shops in the Cincinnati area. Note on the back what type of work classification the employe is engaged in.

Industry Laughs At Truman Plan

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA) — President Truman and Treasury Secretary Snyder last week appealed to industry to see the handwriting on the wall and take steps to lower prices before the wage spiral reaches disastrous proportions.

Industry responded by insisting that it was the other guys who were causing the spiraling prices — the distributors and retailers, and the raw materials producers.

Truman is expected to receive shortly, from his three-man Council of Economic Advisers, a study on what's happening as a result of the continued rise in prices.

Previous Appeal Made

Polite but firm requests that basic industries—especially steel—plan to cut prices have been made by Commerce Department officials in previous weeks.

However, primary market prices continued to rise last week, with average prices of all commodities other than food and farm products increasing 1% during the seven days ended March 22. "Prices of crude petroleum products rose sharply, the fifth advance since decontrol." the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported.

Costs Go Up

While the retail consumer price index complied by BLS dropped 0.2% between mid-January and mid-February, it was reported last week, non-food living essentials rose 0.4% in the month.

In mid-February consumers goods and services used by families in large cities were 17.9% higher than a year ago, and 51.6% above the Jan. 1, 1941 level.

URW Settles For 11½ Cents

CLEVELAND, April 2 (LPA) —A nationwide walkout of more than 100,000 rubber workers was averted only a few hours before the strike deadline last week when the "Big Four" companies of the industry signed a new contract with the United Rubber Workers-CIO calling for a general wage increase of 11½ cents-an-hour.

The new agreement with Goodyear, Goodrich, Firestone and U. S. Rubber, who manufacture about 90% of the nation's tires, was expected to be quickly accepted as the pattern for the rest of the industry. Providing for reopening of the wage question after 120 days, the contract is retroactive to Feb. 2.

Industry leaders and business publications immediately speculated on whether the 11½ cent gain would be the pattern for other major industries. This possibility was quickly scotched by the United Auto Workers-CIO, which is pressing for 23½ cents an hour, and by officials of steel, electrical and other unions.

Moyer Elected By Piqua UAW

PIQUA, April 2 — Newly elected officers of the Wood Shovel & Tool Co., Local 827, UAW-CIO were installed in office last week by Orville Beemer, International UAW representative.

Those who took office were William Moyer, president; Oda Pitman, vice president; Lewis Bode, financial secretary-treasurer; George Woodell, recording secretary; Marion Byers, guide; Orel Shellenbarger, sergeant-at-arms and Herschel Starr, three year trustee.

Inquiring Reporter

Employes of Bingham Stamping Co. were asked the question this week: What do you think about the tax cut voted by Congress last week giving 30 per cent to those under $1,000 and 20 per cent to those above $1,000?

William Heidtman: It isn't fair. It's always the small taxpayers who pay anyway, not the big guy. Nobody whose income is under $2,500 should be taxed. The way the living costs are now, you don't have anything left after you pay your taxes and buy the things you really need. Then you can't get everything you need anyhow.

Rose Cutcher

William Heidtman

Rose Cutcher: It's really unfair. With the high cost of living you don't have enough left to get by on. The 20 per cent cut doesn't mean a thing. Congress should look out more for the working class. They are not doing it now. They should cut taxes to the point where the workers would have a little money left.

Ollie Wisniewski: I don't think it's right. The little guy with two, three or four kids can't afford the tax. I get exemptions for a wife and two children, but even if you work every day in the week, you still can't make enough money to make ends meet. I think the tax should be graduated so the big guys who can afford it will pay their proper proportionate share.

Ollie Wisniewski

Kenneth Hopkins

Kenneth Hopkins: The cut in the taxes as it was passed does not help the working people. They might as well left it the way it was. If they are going

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Reams To Head 1948 Chest Drive

Frazier Reams, senior member of the firm of Reams, Bretherton and Neipp, will be the general chairman of the 1948 Greater Toledo Community Chest campaign in October. Faustin J. Solon, Chest president, announced today.

Mr. Reams was born in Tennessee and received his early education there. He attended the University of Tennessee, receiving his Bachelor of Arts, at Vanderbilt University where the LIB was conferred upon him. He has been active in community affairs in Toledo since 1922, having served as chairman of the Chest's campaign Speakers Bureau in 1943 and 1944, and the chairman of the Northwest Ohio district for the National War Fund in 1944.

CIO Warns Of Congress Threat

Miners Begin Mourning Lost Centralia Men

WASHINGTON, April 2 — As dozens of divergent opinions were given by people in many walks of life over UMW President John L. Lewis' decision to order out members of his union during Holy Week as a memorial to the miners lost in last week's Centralia, Ill., mine disaster, the miners left their pits.

Coming upon the heels of Lewis' charge against Secretary of the Interior Krug in which the latter was held responsible for the disaster, many observers here were of the opinion that Lewis could, if he so desired, use the dangerous conditions said to exist in many mines to keep his people from work and so again hold the whip over a government which holds an injuction threat over him.

Union officials point out that the loss of production will not be as large as the public press and mine operators claim it will be due to the fact that this being Holy Week many of the miners lay off to attend religious services.

Mine operators waxed indignant as did the press that Lewis would take what they termed "advantage" of the situation. Lewis, as usual, made no attempt to reply, but will probably have plenty to say next week when he appears before a congressional committee which invited him to testify regarding dangerous conditions in the mines.

TIUC Planning Observance Of "Defend Labor Week"

Destruction of the union's "very existance is threatened" was the message brought to the CIO legislative conference here last Sunday afternoon by William Lavelle, Ohio CIO Council executive secretary, and Jacob Clayman, CIO legislative representative, both of Columbus.

The speakers who presented a dual program of legislation favored and opposed by labor, reviewed the proposed laws for both state and national legislative bodies and recommended that PAC increase its activities in awakening the workers to their political interests.

Interspersing his discussion of social legislation favored by Ohio labor with frequent criticism of the Republican party and Ed Schorr, former state Republican chairman, Mr. Clayman said, "Ed Schorr is still running the show from his office in Cincinnati and from Columbus, and the legislature is bowing abjectly to his beck and call."

Criticizing legislation that would bring back the 10 hour day for women, the CIO legislative representative said, "this law if passed would drive women and children back to sweatshop hours."

For Minimum Wages

Charging that employers in Ohio could pay as little as 19-cents an hour to employes and still remain within the law, Mr. Clayman said that Ohio should have a minimum wage law in keeping with the needs of the workers.

He told of the agreement between all unions in Ohio to increase the workmen's compensation to $25 a week and told of the other benefits in the new law which was proposed by organized labor.

Also advocated by Mr. Clayman were laws changing the old age pensioners allotment to base it upon the merits

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Hatchetman

This is Rep. Frank B. Keefe (R., Wis.), the man chiefly responsible for the vicious hatchet job on the Labor Department and the NLRB. He instigated and obtained from the House a 44 per cent cut in funds for the Labor Department and nearly 50 per cent for the NLRB. His appropriations bill would practically cripple both agencies and require the firing of Conciliation Director Edgar Warren and 100 of his staff. (LPA)

Interim Wage Raises Given; Await Pattern

Region 2-B Reports Indicate Industry-Union Cooperation

Co-operation between the United Auto Workers, CIO, and its contract plants throughout Region 2-B were indicated this week by a series of wage increases which have already been granted in Toledo and several towns in the regional area.

Wage increases which have so far been granted, as well as those where the company management indicated raises would be given, have been on an interim basis similar to the agreements which existed in the region prior to the 18½ cents national wage pattern last year.

All rate hikes have been from a minimum of 5½-cents an hour as in the case of the Sheets Elevator here, up to 30-cents, top rate of increases granted by the Martin Parry Co. which adjusted its rates from 6-cents an hour upward.

Shops Are Listed

Other increases granted in Toledo include Acklin Stamping Co., 5 to 14-cents an hour; Toledo Pressed Steel, 10-cents; Hall Mfg. Co. which raised its engineering and clerical classifi-

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Local 638, UAW Elects Officers

DEFIANCE, April 2 — L. H. Rosselet was elected president of Local 638, UAW-CIO here last week at the annual election of union officers it was announced today by Harold Kolbe, International union representative.

Other officers who were named were George Beiswenger, vice-president; Ray Wagner, recording secretary; William Wirrick, financial secretary and Claude Strok, treasurer.

Members of the executive shop committee who were elected were Leo Hesselschwardt, Leonard Fricke, Ray Wagner, Charles Hardy, Mahlon Hall, Leonard Rosselet and Claude Stork.

The newly elected officers will serve for one year.

No O'Neill For Washington

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA) — The fight by Actors Equity-AFL and the Committee for Racial Democracy in the Nation's Capital against exclusion of Negroes from theaters here won new adherents last week when playwright Eugene O'Neill wired the committee he would not allow future productions of his works to be shown in theaters where Negroes were excluded. In addition, the Theater Guild announced it was considering cancelling its Washington offerings because many of its playwrights had already taken O'Neill's stand.

They Object

How many people have you heard say, "what business have the unions meddling in politics?" Clayton Rusch, PAC chairman will give the answer in his weekly radio broadcast which is heard each Saturday over Station WTOL from 1:30 to 1:45 p. m. Tune in and hear Mr. Rusch discuss "Labor and Politics."

L-M-C Certifies Baron Steel Vote

Local 12, UAW-CIO added another plant to the long list of Toledo industries with which it holds contracts when it was certified as collective bargaining agent for employes of the Baron Steel Co., 4075 Detroit Ave. last week.

Certification of the Auto Workers Union was made by Msgr. Michael J. Doyle, L-M-C public member who conducted an election among the plant employes. The UAW-CIO won by a 15 to 1 vote.

Local 12 officials stated that contract negotiations with the new plant would begin as soon as arrangements for meetings could be scheduled with the company.

Peters Unit Elects

Newly elected officers of Peters Unit of Local 12, UAW-CIO were announced this week by Harold Dean, Local 12 representative in charge. Elected were Ray Kopp, chairman; Lyle St. Clair, vice chairman; Esther Lower, treasurer; Irene Carr, secretary and Gilbert Garber, Georgana Purvis and Clara Schultz, committee at-large.

Labor To Learn Congress' Will

"Peace Act" Seen As Union Rights Breach

WASHINGTON, April 2 (LPA)—United States labor will learn, probably during the week of April 14, what Congress has in store for it in the way of new union-shackling laws.

.. The House Labor Committee, which has completed at least two drafts of restrictive proposals, expects to have its legislation ready for floor debate on April 14. The Senate Labor Committee, with a larger pro-labor minority, will not report out its bill until later in the week or the next week.

The expectation became a near certainty this week that there would be huge discrepancies between the two bills. The Senate unit will probably not recommend any outright ban on either the closed shop or collective bargaining. It may, in fact, be a relatively mild version, dealing with jurisdictional disputes, secondary boycotts, registration of unions, and provision for labor organizations to be sued.

If there was any doubt that the House bill would be a vicious catch-all law, it was removed last week by Chairman Fred Hartley (R., N. J.) and Rep. Gerald W. Landis (R., Ind.). Hartley boasted, "We're going to write an awfully strong bill," and Landis predicted that the legislation would include a "double-barreled" anti-closed shop provision.

Would Invade Rights

Ironically titled the "Labor-Management Peace Act of 1947," the draft supervised by Hartley would invade union rights in the following way:

1—Forbid industry-wide bargaining. 2—Prohibit strikes for a closed shop contract and deprive unions striking for such a contract of their collective bar-

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UAW Board Split Remains Unhealed

Richter Is Retained By Board's Majority Vote

LOUISVILLE, April 2 (LPA)—The split in the executive board of the United Auto Workers—CIO between supporters of President Walter Reuther and the followers of Secretary-Treasurer George Addes and Vice-President R. J. Thomas are no closer to being healed last week following a meeting of the 22-man board which had been given advance billing as a "harmony meeting."

Reuther, who has frankly admitted his desire to eliminate Communist influence from union policy-making circles, lost a long-brewing fight for the removal of Irving Richter, UAW legislative representative in Washington.

The UAW chief had charged Richter with disloyalty to the union and allegiance to outside interests. Reuther told the board that the union should be "very careful in the selection of personnel who work in the shadow of the Capitol."

Reach No Conclusion

The "harmony meeting," comprising five representatives each from the Reuther and Addes camps, reached no effective conclusions on welding the intra-union breach.

Meanwhile, the UAW extended its demand for a 23½-cent-an-hour wage raise from Chrysler to General Motors and Ford. There was virtually no difference between the two sets of contract demands. The General

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Local 12 Closes Sand Lake Deal

Plans Announced For Children's Summer Recreation Health Camp

Purchase of Sand Lake, Mich., by Local 12, UAW-CIO, was completed on Wednesday evening of this week following negotiations between union officials and representatives of the Will-O-Land Sportsmen's Club, it was announced today by Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director.

Mr. Gosser stated that work will begin immediately to prepare the site as a summer camp for children of Local 12 members and for underprivileged Toledo children. The lake which is located in the Irish Hills is 50 miles from Toledo and consists of 25 acres.

The purchase price agreed upon was $20,000 according to the UAW head who stated that the Sportsmen's Club was fully aware that their property was worth many times what the union paid for it, but sold at a low figure in order to make a contribution to the welfare of the youth of Toledo.

Seek Adequate Funds

Plans for turning the lake property into a summer camp will require a considerable outlay of money which will be supplied in part by Units of Local 12 whose chairmen voted unanimously to back the camp at a meeting held at Local 12 headquarters, March 28.

Other support will be given by public-spirited local citizens who are interested in providing a camp for undernourished

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gaining rights. 3—Subject unions to the Sherman anti-trust law. 4—Permit the Justice Department to obtain injunctions against strikes allegedly endangering the "public welfare." 5—Require cooling-off periods ranging from 20 to 30 days.

In addition there may be other restrictions governing foremen, political contributions, financial reports, and giving employers the "right of free speech."

Five-Member Dissent

The frank admission of Hartley and others that the bill will be a "tough" one virtually guaranteed the writing of a vigorously dissenting minority report by at least five pro-labor members of the 25-man House unit.

Union lawyers were agreed this week that labor's one hope now rests with the Senate. The House may water down Hartley's bill, but even so it is expected to be far more severe than what comes eventually from the Senate. When the House and Senate have completed debate on the bills the two versions will be sent to a joint House-Senate conference to be reconciled.

Labor lawyers expressed belief that there is little possibility of the bill getting out of conference before mid-May unless action was tremendously accelerated by a large national strike.

Admits Prejudice

Hartley last week admitted openly in Congress the prejudicial character of the six weeks of hearings he conducted. During that time 137 witnesses were heard with only 31 from organized labor.

The nation's workers, said Hartley piously, "are honest, humble, law-abiding citizens. Their hopes and aspirations must not be crippled but liberated from the restraints and even tyranny we have found."

Local Completes Sand Lake Deal

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children and to combat child delinquency.

Buildings on the new union property are adequate to house a large number of children and the union is planning to inaugerate its program at the earliest possible date. Present plans calls for accomodating 100 children each week throughout the summer.

Committee For Purchase

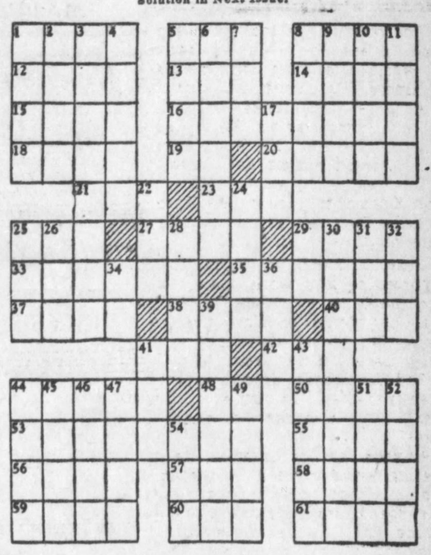
Negotiations for the purchase of the property were carried on by a committee consisting of Wilbert Rule, Local 12 recreational director, Howard Rediger, Randolph Gray, Frank Molik, Heinz Szeve, William Weston, Lloyd Speidell, Gerald Biddle, Frank Rostetter, Albert Yeager, Harold Billheimer, Joe Mroz, Jerome Janatowski and Ted Kline.

Wilbert Rule and Howard Rediger will direct the development of the camp.

Additional plans for acquisition of a 40 acre plot of land just inside of the city limits was revealed by Mr. Gosser. The plot if purchased will be developed into a recreation center for the union and would include baseball and softball diamonds, tennis courts and other recreational facilities.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Solution in Next Issue.



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19 Symbol for silver
20 Ancient Greek physician
21 Netherlands commune
23 Malt beverag
25 Sparoid fish
27 Masculine
29 Sweetsop
33 General assembly
35 Perfumed pad
37 Eastern university
38 Clubs
40 Fuido's high note
41 Trap for game
42 Worm
44 Quivering
48 Negative
50 Poisonous tree
53 Incentive
55 To cleave
56 Military cap
57 To devour
58 Manner of walking
59 Small barracuda
60 Malt beverage
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3 Irregular verse
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7 Soft crystalline metal
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22 Australian bird
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25 Informer
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30 Relating to the drama
31 Serpentine fish
32 Music: as written
34 Symbol for neon
36 Ibsen character
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52 Places
54 Meadow

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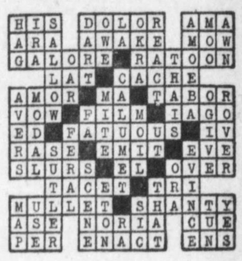

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of the individual cases; low cost housing, increased salaries for teachers, veterans bonus, veterans housing and increased unemployment compensation.

Employers Write Letters

Devoting himself to a discussion of anti-labor legislation, William Lavelle deplored the fact that more employers than employes had written to members of the state legislature and Congress in support of the bills favored by them.

Election of the present state and national legislative representatives is due, said the speaker, to the fact that a minority of the people vote, but he added, "our people are just beginning to understand the relationship between politics and their daily lives."

Turning to national legislation, the CIO secretary pointed to the cutting of funds for the various governmental agencies in which labor is interested and said that such action in sabotaging the activities of these agencies was almost as effective in hampering labor as actual anti-labor legislation.

To Destroy Labor

Pointing out the parallel between Hitler who told the German people exactly what he would do when he came to power, and the reactionaries who were elected to Congress, Mr. Lavelle said, "they mean exactly what they say. They told us what they would do and they are out to destroy the American labor movement. Our very existance is threatened, now more than at any time in our history."

Turning to a discussion of specific anti-labor legislation, Mr. Lavelle said, "if the closed shop legislation is put into law, 70,000 collective bargaining agreements would be thrown open immediately and all at one time for re-negotiation."

Would Hit Unions

Elimination of the closed shop and industry-wide agreements would reduce International unions to the point where they could not make policies for the entire organization and would make it possible "to break them up and knock them off one by one," he said.

Denying the purpose behind legislation to make unions suable, Mr. Lavelle said "unions are suable, but the purpose behind the legislation is to make it appear that unions are irresponsible, that they would rather strike than produce. They would be constantly harassed by litigation and saddled with court and attorney costs."

Criticizes Injunction

Sharply crticizing legislation which would give the government the right to seek and secure injuctions when the health, safety and welfare of the people demanded it, the CIO leader pointed out that this could be used as an excuse for breaking all strikes and that the real purpose of the legislation was to break the Norris-Laguardia Act which denies the injuction in strikes. He said. "the only one real weapon that labor has is its right to strike."

Also sharply criticized by Mr. Lavelle was the so-called "cooling off period." "The cooling off period," he said, "means that the government can direct the unions when they may strike. The plan didn't work during the war and it will not work now."

Charging that politicians in Congress want to defend themselves against PAC by forbidding donation of money to political campaigns, Mr. Lavelle said, "the way to fight back is by use of the ballot. They want to protect themselves from it."

Concluding his talk, the state CIO leader said passage of the anti-labor legislation now before Congress "means a return to the days prior to the National Labor Relations Act. It means company stooges, thugs and police brutality when union leaders will again be shadowed from pillar to post."

Asks For Letters

He asked that union people write their congressmen and state representatives and express their opposition to the proposed anti-labor bills and "to let them know that we don't like their thinking."

A resolution was passed by the meeting concurring with the wish of the national and state CIO to observe April as national "Defend Labor Month." Tentative plans for a legislative clinic were discussed from the floor were referred to a special meeting of the TIUC executive board for Tuesday night of this week.

UAW Board Split Still Unhealed

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Motors contract covers nearly 250,000 workers, the Ford agreement about 125,000.

GM Contract Demands

The following demands were sent to GM Vice-President Harry W. Anderson in addition to the requested wage high:

1—Employer-financed group insurance coverage, which shall include death and survivors' benefits, disability benefits and hospital, surgical, medical and maternity benefits.

2—Establishment of an employer-financed retirement program.

3—An equalization fund to be used to adjust wage rates based on the principle of equal pay for equal work.

4—A guaranteed wage which shall include a guaranteed weekly wage equivalent to 40 hours' pay for any week in which an employe is called to work.

Packinghouse To Meet In Convention

CHICAGO (LPA)—Local unions of the United Packinghouse Workers of American-CIO are now electing delegates to the fourth constitutional convention of the union, to be held at Cleveland's Hollenden Hotel May 5 to 8.

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cations 13.8-cents retroactive to September 17, 1946 and doubled their insurance.

In addition to its wage increase, Sheets Elevator granted its employes three paid holidays each year. Employes of the Toledo Industrial Heat Treating Co. were given a 7-cents an hour raise.

Reported this week was a 6-cents an hour increase for members of the Delphos, Ohio UAW-CIO Local. Region 2-B staff members said that other increases had been given in a numberof other cities in the area, but official confirmation was being deferred until the contracts were signed.

Clauses Left Open

Wage clauses in all contracts in which wages have been renegotiated are being held open awaiting settlement of the national wage pattern. Meanwhile, wage discussions are being reopened with a large number of UAW-CIO contract plants.

The wage policy of 23½-cents of the International UAW-CIO announced last week in Louisville, Ky. is being followed by all Local UAW-CIO unions in this area and settlements which are being made are subject to adjustment based upon the final national wage scale increase.

EASTER GREETINGS

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to cut taxes they should give the lower brackets the biggest cut. It takes just so much to live, beyond that, it's gravy.

Clara O'Brien

Clara O'Brien: I don't think the tax cut being the same for everybody over $1,000 is fair. It gives the big boys a break at the expense of the small taxpayers and workers. It shows that Congress is a lot more interested in the big taxpayers than it is in the workng people. I think that taxation should be based upon the ability to pay. Where is the justice in giving an employe who makes between $1,000 and $2,500 a year the same kind of a tax cut as his boss who makes thousands of dollars profit each year? It would be better to let the thing as it is and reduce our war debt than to give the wealthy people who don't need it, a break at the expense of the small income earners.

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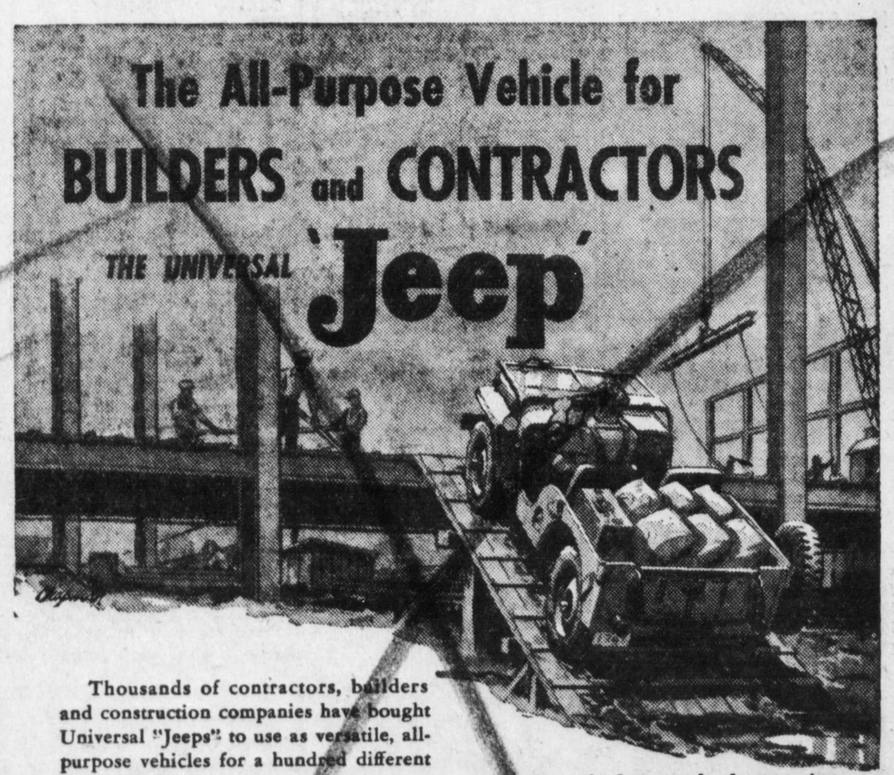

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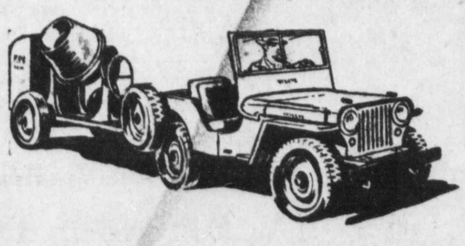

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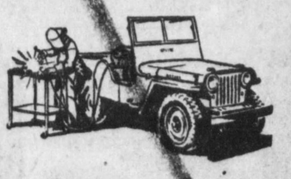

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WATCH IT

Remember, if you are on a leave of absence and you come in and work four hours your leave is cancelled. If you should have to go home because you are too sick to work and are off five days and do not report before three minutes after starting time of your shift on the sixth day, you will get paid off for non-attendance, no matter how many days you have left on your other leave. It is your own responsibility to get your own leave. DO NOT DEPEND ON SOMEONE ELSE! If you are unable to go to the Employment Office for your first leave, send a telegram or a registered letter to the Willys-Overland Employment Office requesting it. If asking for an extended leave, either go in person or write a letter enclosing a doctor's certificate.

Ann (Case) Benson is going into the fishing business on a large scale. Her husband presented her with a fine bamboo fly rod.She said, "Don't they use these kind of rods to catch flying fish and there aren't any in Lake Erie."

Be sure to attend the next Unit meeting on April 18 and see your new officers installed.

Did you ever meet that old union member, Earl Daugherty? We met a man a short time ago who said he was raised with Earl and that he tries every time they meet to sell him his brand of unionism.

Paul Beemer of Dept. 169, who is a pitcher on Local 12's baseball team, became the proud father of a 7-pound, 6-ounce boy March 24. Paul says he is going to make a pitcher out of him as the other boy is destined to be a catcher. Mother and son are doing fine. Congratulations are in order.

Brother Raymond Bollinger of Dept. 239 is in Robinwood Hospital. Pay him a visit.

Join the PAC and help stop those reactionaries in Washington and Columbus from taking our Union away from us. It only costs $1 a year.

George Eatin of Dept. 243, seniority Oct. 2, 1935, and who is 65 years old, tells us he is going to retire. George is one of our old-time Union members and has been very active in the cause. We will miss him.

We hear that Leo Zak of Dept. 239 is still fussing about those clips. Keep it up, Leo—you may solve it some day.

Ragging the Scale

Elsie Jay

Well, we got the weekend coralled so here's Elsie again,.

You probably remember Mr. McIntosh's errand boy, his name rhymes with tta-ra-ra-boom-de-yay? Well he's been off with an ailment, (rumor has it that it was distemper) but is now back on the beat. (Rumor also has it that the recovery is not entirely complete.)

We are informed that Harv Parker is as hard to find as Lefty, since he got his new leaders job.

We regret to report that Mary Cobb of Inspection, is off on a 30 day sick leave. We sure miss your ribbing, pal, so hurry up and get well.

Blake Wendt must have a faulty fuse. At any rate we are told he almost went off half cocked recently.

SECOND SHIFT

Alice, of finish grind, found some money recently, so she told Helen Kern if she saw some one looking to send them to her. Well soon Herm Sperr was there. And what was he looking for? A place to park a well used cud of gum.

Our sincere thanks to Sybil Spitler for the nite shift items.

Clyde Dixon and not the mice nibbled the cake. Our apologies to the lil mices.

Ever notice the plate lunch our nite super gets away with? And we hear he is on a diet.

We are informed Bud Meinhart is about to dress up the car with a new paint job. Yellow we understand. (Incidentally, Bud, Brothers "Gocomorra" Kenny and Crawford are in the car painting business.

We send a hearty get well to Robert Haynes who is off sick with the flu.

If you see the nite gals blinkin', it's not the lites. Just that flasher Jim Dernell wears.

Helen Kern has her troubles, too. Her latest with a bat who decded to become a resident. But with Vivian's love life settled and the bat removed, we beliveve she can be happy again.

Wonder if Leroy Miller isn't troubled with a buzzing noise when he's trying to get some shut-eye.

With a little coaxing, we believe Audrey Burkholder could be persuaded to give you a permanent.

Keep Your Eye On Congress

BILL	WHAT IT DOES	WHERE IT IS	ACTION
Wage-Hour Amendments S 70 HR 2157	Offers weakening amendments to Wage-Hour bill; would limit workers' rights to damage claims.	Bill passed by House; Senate version due for action soon.	Wire Senators to defeat S. 70.
Anti - labor bills (Senate)	Variety of proposals to limit bargaining, outlaw union security, hamper strike rights, under consideration.	Senate Labor Comm. holding hearings March 8. Report and combind bill due in fortnight.	Wire Senators to defeat bills to weaken unions, limit labor rights.
Anti - labor bills (House)	Wide variety of proposals include repeal of Wagner Act, compulsory arbitration and provisions of last year's Case Bill.	House Labor Comm. holding hearings. Chairman Hartley suggests 10 major points of attack on unions.	Write, wire Congressman to defeat proposals to weaken labor rights.
HR 1 Knutson "soak poor" tax bill	Offers 20 per cent tax cut — little savings for low income families, big windfalls for wealthy.	Referred to House Ways & Means Comm. No hearings yet held.	Ask Congressman to pass tax bill placing heavier burden on big incomes.
Anti - poll tax bill S 94 HR 7 et al	Would remove poll tax as voting bar in seven southern states for federal elections.	S 94 (Pepper bill) in Senate Comm. on Rules & Administration; 7 House bills in Comm. on House Administration.	Ask Senators, Congressman to push for speediest possible action.
Wagner-Murray Rent Control Bill S 528	Continues rent control for another year "as is."	Referred to Senate Banking & Currency Comm.	Ask Senators to pass this rent bill, keep rents stable.
Women's Status Bill HR 2007	Removes unfair discrimination against women, saves protection for women workers.	Referred to House Judiciary Committee.	Ask Congressmen to seek passage of bill.
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S. 866 Taft-Wagner-Ellender Housing Bill	Longe-range housing program, providing govt. and private homes in lowest rent brackets.	Senate Banking & Currency Committee holding hearings. CIO supports bill, asks some improvements.	Wire, write yours Senators and Chairman. Tobey (R. N. H.) of Banking Comm. to support.
HR. 1750 S. 71 Taylor-Douglas Vet Homes Bill	Provides for gov't aid to build vet homes in $30-$50 monthly rental categories.	S. 701 before Senate Banking Comm. Hearings now on. No hearings yet in House.	Ask Senators to vote for S. 701. Ask Representatives to press for early hearings.
HR. 2275 Thomas 'Loyalty' Bill	Sets up special U. S. body to probe "loyalty" of govt. workers. Could order firings without appeal.	Referred to House Un-American Committee.	Write, wire Congressmen to defeat this anti-civil rights proposal.

Address all Representatives at House Oiffce Building, Washington 25, D. C., all Senators at Senate Office Building, Washington 25, D. C.

Ayling Reichert News

by Lois King

Paul Van Camp wants to be a hair dresser so he can mess with the girls' hair.

Ruth Casey took her marriage vow. Now we are waiting for somebody to surprise us by eloping.

If Vernie Burden had fallen into the box after smoking that cigar, it would have taken more than Mary Baker to haul him out.

Rosa Schott reminded us for all the world of a short-haired poodle when she got out of the back seat of Leola Sheriff's car.

That story Aunt Fanny Abbott tells for kiddies about how Dorothy O'Brien got lost in the woods would make a good television radio program.

When Mary Meyers collects fenders when driving in a tight spot, she will have her new specs to blame it on.

Nothing like getting in good condition for spring with a two-way stretch, says Atha Appleby.

Johnny Stager isn't a plumber or a plumber's son, but he did fix the leak in the hot water tank. Whoopie!

Champion Unit Sparklets

The boys in the tool room are glad to see John Murray back to work after two long sieges of illness. Watch that diet, John!

A letter of thanks was received from Marion Taylor of Dept. D for the gifts and cards she received during her illness.

Did you ever get a look at Bob Kramer's lunch bucket? No wonder Bob has trouble getting here on time.

Beatrice Lenix of inspection reported back to work last week and looks swell. She reports that her daughter also is first class. But what happened to your Lana Turner hair?

Red Konwerski is out of the hospital after his little argument with a parked auto last week.

Anyone having interior decorating work to be done should contact "Toots" on the stud line. She specializes in painting, papering and can also do a first-class job of laying linoleum.

It would be nice if the boys on the benders could get together. Come on, George, let's play ball.

Overheard: News of a coming wedding—Harry Pelczynski to Alvina Stachowiak. Lots of good wishes and the best of luck.

Sorry to hear that our venerable tinsmith, Nick Messmer has been under the weather with the flu. Maybe it's that hot air from Maumee, Nick!

The millwrights report the loss of a first-class "outside machinist," with the resignation of Chuck Decker. Joking aside, Chuck, we wish you the best of luck in your new adventure.

John McCarthy, Dept. L, reports going to Buffalo, N. Y., to visit his daughter, Margie. He hopes to meet the approval of his 9½-pound grandson.

If you are ever in trouble with a zipper on your jacket or dress, keep away from Evelyn or Marie Hoppie, as they will fix it for sure. You can either use a pin or throw the article away.

Zoe Stone was finally convinced that if you keep bidding you will eventually get a job. She will soon be in Dept. E.

Last weekend Warren Ellingwood, Dept. G, made a trip to Fremont, Mich., to visit our old colleague, "Frenchy" Guilbolt. He was treated royally, but was disappointed because the ice was too thin for fishing.

National Supply Unit News

By "Shorty" Sager

Howard McGee, ex-serviceman Dept. 36, was recently injured by a hit skip driver. He will be off work a long time. Anyone interested in helping Howard financially, contact H. Ray Carter in Dept. 36.

We offer our sympathy to the family of Rufus Welty of Dept. 40 who recently passed away.

AROUND THE SHOP

We wonder at times, whether Ed Schultz, Dept. 87, wears size 14 shoes to carry his feet around in, or is it where he keeps his money?

Isn't it about time Glenn Miller left his John L. Sullivan longies at home?

Ralph Talbert has another new girl friend. This time it's a briar hopper.

Since Herb Hoerig has been feeding his cow laying mash, she keeps the family in egg nogs.

We noticed Mike Fox teaching Frank Herr the fine points of operating a barn yard excavator. We wonder if Frank is going in the horse business.

Lloyd Jones was seen combing his hair with a wash rag before going to a recent meeting

When Harold McVicker campaigned for the committee, he told the boys if they didn't want him elected to put a cross in front of his name, and that would cross him out. So he walked in.

Let's all go to our Unit meeting next Thursday night, April 10.

The Acklinite

By Martin Bachli

At the last committee meeting it was agreed among the committee to handle grievances with a fellow committeeman present in order to expedite matters and create intra-committee harmony.

Bibsy the mule driver is loud in his praise of Norman Jugush as a mechanic. Bibsy claims that formerly he had to give the mule 27 crank turns before it would start, but since Norm "fixed" it, he only gives it 26 turns.

Some of the boys claim that Julius Chinni (die shop) traded his alarm clock for a rooster. He actually was at work one morning before the 7 a. m. bell rang.

Chester Grzechowiak, steel room, has been promoted to foreman. Good work, Chet. Be sure to insist that the boys address you as "mister."

Have you noticed that there always is an increase in the heat in the steel room after Al Mertz' latest cache of lumber is found? Try the roof next time, Al.

Stella Miller was seen acting as an instructor to one of the new girls while having an audience from the "Wolf Gang." That newcomer is married, boys.

We express deepest sympathy to the family of George Johnson who recently passed away after a long illness. George worked as a time clerk on the second shift and will be missed by all.

Bingham Unit Bingoes

Has any one seen the Raitz's the last week? Maybe its Schmidts car? They should change chauffeur.

Thanks to the boys on the bowling team. Can't say you didn't try. We will get that cup next season.

Have you noticed Frank S. since he has his new Assistant Foreman, Steve Perry helping him. Good luck to both of you.

A certain Texan she says, but I think she's from Tennessee knows all the news, so if I miss any thing just ask Earlene.

Looks like we have a bunch of artists here by the looks of Slim's car. Kinda expensive drawing I'd say.

Notice that Mandy doesn't wear her Babooshka any more. Could it be there's a man in her life?

Leona R. wants to have a Sadie Hawkins Day for some of the gals here. And boy I can run.

The Tall Story club should have three members I know of Margie A. Margaret L. and Jane H.

A suggestion that we have a picture studio for the girls in Dept. 3. Has anyone an old camera?

That sure was a long Unit meeting last week, Bob, Jim and Gordie can vouch for that.. Was it two or three days?

That dog house is sure getting crowded.

Lost—A fender by Big Otto, out Detroit Ave. way.

Our new nurse has been with us three days now and they're remodeling already, hmmmm.

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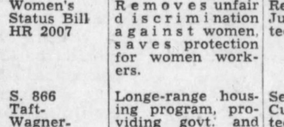
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Research which has been made covering the political activities of the American people for the past 50 years or more, reveal the startling fact that there is a very definite and decided trend away from voting by the citizens of this country.

Prior to the turn of this century, more than 80 per cent of the people exercised their right to vote. Today, these figures show a most unusual turn downward with slightly more than 52 per cent of the voters exercising their franchise throughout the nation.

It is not surprising in the face of these figures, and they were lower last fall, to observe what is happening upon the political scene in this country, when it is an accepted fact that by far the majority of potential voters are members of the group which is known as labor.

No wonder that the Republican party, which gained control of the legislative branch of our government in last fall's election fancies itself to have a mandate. Obviously, it must be a mandate for the Republicans to secure a majority vote and gain political power?

We may argue about the mandate which the Republican party claims it was given to "regulate" labor and otherwise turn back the clock, but it is an accomplished fact that the G. O. P. is in a position to act as though the vote was decisive and overwhelmingly given—a mandate in fact if not in the intentions of the majority of the American people who failed to vote.

In such a situation as labor finds itself today, and thousands upon thousands of workers are still unaware of their danger despite the efforts of their leaders to awaken them, we discover that a large number of those who are dimly aware of what is taking place, are acting as though they believe that their leadership should save the day. They seem to imply by their words now, as well as by their failure to vote last November, that those who lead them can conduct the fight without them.

Despite the ability of many of our labor leaders, and even if they had all the courage, initiative, intelligence, logic and other virtues needed to conduct a successful fight, they carry just one little vote. And, lest anyone should become confused, elections and mandates come from votes, and not from the sincere efforts of a few to save the day for the workers.

Congressmen are people. They are not always the brightest samplings, but they are vote wise. Nobody, least of all workers who expect their leadership to do with one vote what they failed to do with many, should get the impression that those who are in Congress are overly impressed, when they, to all intents and purposes, pat their leadership upon the back and in effect say, "get in there and fight brother, those guys in Washington can't intimidate us."

No. It takes more than holding your leaders' coats while they fight. It takes letters and cards and thousands of people telling their congressmen that they don't like the bills they are considering to hamstring, handcuff and harass labor. It takes workers, thousands of them, to get into the fight themselves and to do it now before it is too late.

Letters and cards to Congress will help and they can stay the full vigor of the vengeful and punitive legislation that our elected representatives are now preparing to pass, but most of all, it takes votes.

By all means write your Congressmen. Write them as often as it may be necessary, and it is highly necessary right now, but above all, resolve now that when the next election comes around, we will save ourselves all this trouble by voting for people who will represent our political interests. This is the concern of every worker who should not rest content with urging on their leaders to fight, but who must themselves fight if labor is to be saved from the fate which Congress seems intent upon legislating upon it.

We must change our motto from "Sit and Watch" to "Vote and Fight."

Our personal nomination for labor's "Shnook-of-the-Month Club" is Republican National Chairman Carroll Reece. With no less than 135 GOP anti-labor proposals now pending in Congress, Reece took a deep drag on whatever he was smoking and opined, "We have more industrial peace now than we've had in years and that's because of the mere presence in Washington of a Republican Congress."

Considering the flood of anti-labor laws introduced in Congress, there seems to be more than a mite of logic in the recent strike of union printers in Copenhagen. No law can be enacted in Denmark until it has been published in the official law publication. But the law publication's printers were on strike. Result: no publication; no laws.

Washington Labor Report

By Paul Sifton,
LPA Columnist

Look me in the eye, Brother, and answer Yes or No. Speak slowly and distinctly, so that the stenographer can make an accurate record.

Were you, or were you not, on April 4, 1933, "in sympathetic association with . . . a movement, group or combination of persons, designated (subsequently) by the Attorney General as totalitarian, Fascist, Communist, or subversive, or as having adopted a policy of advocating or approving the commission of acts of force or violence to deny other persons their rights under the Constitution of the United States, or as seeking to alter the form of government of the United States by unconstitutional means." (From the executive order on loyalty investigations of U. S. employees.)

You say you want to hear the question again? Read it, reporter.

You say you want to talk to your lawyer? Go ahead.

What's that, Mr. Attorney, you say the witness can't answer yes or no? Very interesting; very, very interesting! You may proceed, qualifying your answer as you wish, for the record.

You say you joined the West Side Kitten Ball Association on the assumption that you would have a chance to play kitten ball and only learned its true nature along about Thanksgiving when business meetings got on the subject of politics and how to use the campaign to free Tom Mooney to awaken the broad toiling masses of swampeast Missouri?

DID YOU?

Well, did you resign? Have you any proof that you ever did resign, or even protested against the use of the wholesome sport of kitten ball as a front for subversive discussions—I mean, activities?

Oh, you just stopped attending meetings?

Can you prove that?

But you did continue to attend the games in the summer months, did you not?

That's enough, I think. Next!

Back in the Twenties and early Thirties, American liberals, like their conservative brethren, were chronic joiners. When the insiders began to put on the bite, to move the caucus out on the floor, to vote resolutions (and money) for strange issues and causes, the suckers and innocents grumbled, grunted in a quick parliamentary scissors-hold, went home early, and mostly stopped attending meetings.

LONG AGO

That was far away and long ago. Today, if these one-time suckers have the misfortune to be in Federal government employ, such "sympathetic associations" in the past is a threat to their livelihood, to their families, and to their whole future in public or private employment.

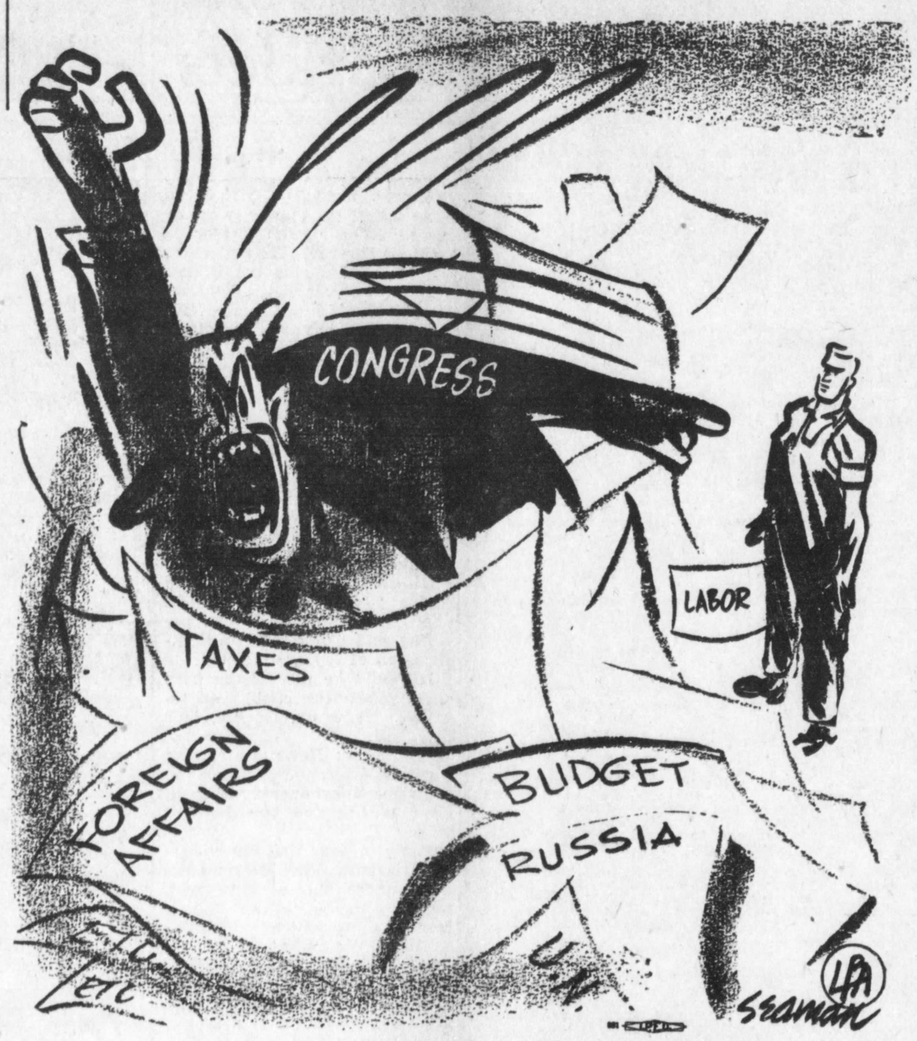
The terror is on again in Washington, worse than at any time since Martin Dies was in full cry. It exists wherever there are Federal employees. The Justice Department and Civil Service Commission officials have pledged a "fair hearing" and that the loyalty investigation will not become a "witch hunt."

Today the panic applies to U. S. employees. It threatens to spread. Rabid reactionaries in Congress have taken the ball away from President Truman. With war whoops and flashing tomahawks, they proceed to do the loyalty job for him in their own way, knocking people out of jobs by knocking specific jobs out of the appropriation bills.

All Americans are going to be hurt, directly and indirectly, in this campaign. They are partly to blame; they accepted Martin Dies' use of the word "bureaucrat" as a dirty epithet and his theory of "guilt by association" as conclusive.

Congress has been hearing testimony from labor and weekly paper editors on how the newsprint shortage is forcing them to the wall. Some sort of climax was reached when a man named David Korneman, of the Green Publishing Co., New York City, testified that he was really driven to the depths by the newsprint shortage. From printing comic books, he was forced to take up printing government income tax forms. And that wasn't all. "Even the government has a hard time getting the paper for me," he said. "It took two months to get it for the tax forms."

"It's His Fault—All of It!"



It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

A lot of people, from President Truman down to Joe Zilch, the small town hardware man attending his weekly luncheon club, are plenty worried about the Commies. They are about to launch upon an intensive Red hunt, the like of which has not been seen since the days of Attorney General Palmer.

One of the things that most people seem to forget, is that the communist doctrine is something that came into being because of economic reasons. No theory, social or political, ever was born without some stimulation or irritant to create it. Hence, regardless how we may combat the tangible thing, that is, the Communist Party, we cannot eliminate the idea that gave rise to the party from the minds of its adherents or prevent its spread, until we remove the cause which gave birth to the idea in the first place.

Going on "Red" hunts, red-baiting and persecution will not eliminate the Communist Party when the conditions under which the commies work and flourish are so prevalent that even the elect are sometimes deceived by the criticism of the evils and the cure advanced by the Stalinists.

If the President had advanced some concrete and practical means to bring wages and prices into line; if he had been able to convince the employers of the nation that the best way to fight the commies was by giving their employes justice; if he had been able to persuade Congress that the way to beat the commies would be by sane legislation instead of a batch of proposed vicious anti-labor laws, he would really be damaging the Communist Party.

THEY WAIT

Even Secretary of Labor Schwelenbach has been guilty of doing some shallow thinking when he proposed the suppression of the Communist Party. The poor man doesn't seem to realize that you can wipe out a organization by law, but you can't wipe the ideas out of the minds of men. Had he advised Congress to go easy on the anti-labor legislation it is considering; had he told the great and near-great men of our legislative bodies that the way to fight the commies is by guaranteeing jobs to men at decent wages and giving them a larger measure of security, he would have delivered the comrats a serious blow.

You see folks, the commies are knowing people. While we may not agree with their remedy for the economic and political ills of mankind, we can't take it away from them when it comes to being patient. They are merely waiting for the screwballs who are running the nation and the nation's business to slip, as they always have and always will slip, and then they will rush in crying, "didn't we tell you so."

Yes, the commies are willing to wait. Despite the witch hunt upon which our government seems determined to concentrate; despite the opposition which comes from all sides; despite all the justifiable criticism of the Russian brand of communism; despite their lies, deceits and conniving, the commies even now see the symptoms of an economy which is sick and growing sicker. They are licking their chops in anticipation of what they hope they will be able to do when the bottom falls out of the stock market as the signal for the next major depression to begin.

IT WILL COME

You see, the lads whom we sneeringly refer to as "reds" are slick customers. They have heard about what is known as the business cycle. They know that every boom is followed by a bust and that every bust is accompanied by the growth of people who unwittingly subscribe to their theories. They see the fertile soil. They see the illogical, stubborn, stupid position taken by entrenched business and they know that sooner or later the captains of industry and tycoons of business will become enmeshed in a net of their own weaving.

They see the mounting profits and dwindling savings. They observe the growing unrest because of high prices and low wages. They see disgusted people staying away from the polls on election day while a minority elect reactionaries to offiec who are the unwitting helpers of the commies.

Don't kid yourself that the commies are worried about Congress. They appreciate guys like Congresman Hartley, Senator Taft and other gentlemen of Congress who write laws which irritate and anger millions of American workers.

They like to see big business setting up higher and higher profits and stubbornly holding down the workers wages. It's their dish. It follows their predictions. Everything is going according to their hopes and plans. Sooner or later, they hope, it will be pay day for them.

Actually, the only real opposition which the commies are getting are in the labor unions which are tying to settle their objections to the party without any help from Congress. And if the commies are held in check, if they do fail to accomplish their mission of communizing America, it will be in spite of President Truman and Congress rather than because of them.

So the witch-hunt will go on as we move our frontiers to Greece and Turkey, unmindful that the real fight against an expansionist Russia lies not alone in combatting the physical spread of Communism in Europe, but in resisting its intellectual spread right here in the minds of a people who are being victimized by a system which is trying very hard to exterminate itself.

Editor's Mail

The Press

I once read a column written by a real smart guy who always alibied himself by prefacing his remarks with the phrase, "all I know is what I read in the papers."

Nowadays, working people using the same line of reasoning will either wind up in the booby hatch or behind the eight ball with a public censor gag in his mouth. These conclusions were reached after a careful consideration of what is known as the public press in our town.

It seems to me that all the things which we have held to be democratic and true are constantly being smeared with the tag of communism by the public press. Because of the inferences contained in the articles which appear in the paper, I find myself asking some questions:

Am I a communist because I believe in no discrimination against minority groups; because I believe in the Tennessee Valley Authority which is reclaiming devastated farm lands and providing cheap electric power; because I believe in price and rent control to protect the consumers from the unfair chiselers and gougers; because I believe prices should be based upon cost plus a reasonable profit rather than charging all the traffic will bear?

Am I a communist because I believe that human rights are more important than property rights and that no man or group of men should profit at the expense of and to the detriment of his fellow man; because I believe in a strong labor movement and think that all the points which I have raised here should have the backing of the law?

The trouble is that too many are trying to make it appear that the labor movement is dominated by communists, whereas it is made up mostly of guys like me who want a square deal with the legal guarantee of their rights to live in dignity and decency. The labor movement is not and will not be red if the employers and government will treat it white.

Fraternally yours,
Norman Meliink,
Educational Director,
Local 14, UAW-CIO

A helicopter was used by an employer in New Bedford, Mass., to fly in supplies over the heads of pickets. As an aerial counteroffensive, the union threw up a barrage of box kites to halt the helicopter That reminds us of the plant near Chicago that was struck one spring a few years ago. The employer trained a bunch of ground-hogs to burrow underneath the mass picket lines bring in supplies and take out the finished product. The union stopped that by bringing powerful searchlights. When the groundhogs came up and saw their shadows they went back underground and slept for the next three months.

Behind the Scenes In Politics

by Clayton Rusch
Chairman Political Action Committee

There are many current issues of vital interest in a direct or indirect manner, to those who toil for a living. A few of the more important issues are: Should the Communist party be outlawed in the best interests of democracy? Should the United States extend direct financial and other aid to Greece and Turkey or should it be done through the machinery of the United Nations?

Now that selective service is ended for the present, should the CIO maintain its position of opposition to military conscription? How can the United Nations be made to function more effectively and what are the chances of saving the rights of labor from destruction?

In columns immediately succeeding this one, all of these issues shall be fully discussed. Their importance to every worker is sufficient to warrant an adequate discussion of their implications in this column. At the moment, however, another issue must, because of its urgency, take precedence over all other subjects related to the legislative program of the CIO.

That issue is the necessity for the Toledo CIO to pack the next open meeting of the legislators from Lucas County, which will be held in the City Council Chambers of the Safety Building.

The bi-weekly legislative conferences were established two years ago at the request of the Toledo CIO-PAC. The date for the next hearing has not been set, but it will be at 2 p. m. on a Saturday in the City Council Chambers of the Safety Building. The exact date will be announced in the next issue of this paper and over our CIO radio program.

FEPC

The last legislative meeting was well attended. The chief issue under consideration was a bill to provide for a permanent Fair Employment Practice Commission in Ohio.

In addition to CIO, several fraternal, civic and church groups sent representatives to the meeting. It is very important that the next legislative clinic be well attended.

Among the issues to be considered are an improved workmen's compensation law, an improved unemployment compensation law, and the whole question of saving the hard-won rights of labor from complete annihilation.

The legislators from Lucas County have so far demonstrated themselves to be more social minded than some of their more reactionary colleagues. It must be remembered, however, that all legislators are politicians and therefore, will respond to the pressure which their constituents bring to bear. In many cases the pressure comes from well-paid lobbyists of the big business groups.

Such lobbyists certainly will continue to work for passage of legislation which will benefit the interests of the lobbyist. However, the workers have more votes than all huge corporations who pay the the big business groups put together. Therefore, a large delegation of workers' representatives is bound to have a favorable effect upon the attitude of the legislators.

A small attendance of workers at the next legislative clinic will convince the legislators that the workers are not keeping tab on them and are therefore not particularly interested in legislation.

We cannot afford to give such an impression. We must all resolve here and now to fill the City Council Chambers of the Toledo Safety Building at the next open meeting of the Lucas County legislators.

Listen to Labor's Side of the News over WTOL next Saturday at 1:30 p. m. and watch this paper for the announcement of the exact date.

The confusion in the House Labor Committee, which is busy preparing union-wrecking laws, was clarified to a fare-thee-well last week by its chairman, Rep. Fred Hartley (R., N. J.). In a speech to Congress (and we quote word-for-word from the Congressional Record of March 21) Hartley declared: "Our first aim has been and will continue to be that of freeing the workmen of the United States from the shackles that have been fastened on them in the name of labor organization."

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

Upward wage adjustments which are now being granted by UAW-CIO contract plants in Region 2-B indicate to me that most of the industries with which we have relations are willing to go along with our policy and that they will meet the national wage pattern once it has been set in representative mass industries.

Employers who are now giving their employes much-needed wage increases are contributing to the maintenance of the consuming power of the country, for without adequate purchasing power in the hands of the consumer, neither the nation nor its industries can maintain a prosperous condition.

Naturally, we of the Auto-Workers are anxious that prices be held at their present level, or, when the volume of production warrants it, cut as much as possible. We have experienced and are still experiencing the bad effects of the 18½-cents an hour increase in which industry after raising wages elevated prices out of all proportion to the wage increases.

NO REPEATS

After the inflation that we have watched for the past months, nobody who works for a living is anxious to go through another era of rapidly increasing prices. These past few months have been trying ones for practically all workers, and it is doubtful if either they or the country could stand another period similar to the one which we hope is about at an end.

I might add that more and more plants are agreeing to give their workers paid holidays and that it now appears that the plants which do not do so will be fewer than they were before the present series of negotiations began.

Not only do paid holidays help to build a better morale for the workers in the plant, but it seems to me that it is productive of better industrial relations all around. This is particularly true now when the workers are actually working for lower wages than they got through the war and losing a day's work because of a holiday actually is a hardship on them.

It is my sincere hope that every industry in this region will grant its employes the increases which they so urgently need and that we can all co-operate to build and maintain a prosperous nation.

From The Desk of Melvin Schultz

Local 12, UAW-CIO President,

In the past several years, our organization has, from time to time, adopted one program or another in an effort to start something which would be highly beneficial to the sons and daughters of the members of Local No. 12. This included children's bands, scout troops, sons and daughters of the C. I. O. in the Labor Day Parade and other programs. This, we believe, should be done in order to give benefits not only in the way of economic security for the grownups who are workers in the various industrial plants, but to give a health and educational program to their children.

These minor programs have been, to certain degrees, successful but have never been very far reaching. We are now in a better position financially and morally than ever before in the history of our organization and, without a doubt, are prepared to go ahead with a project which will number itself among the best children's programs within our Community.

A lake site, with a large masonry building and a large cottage already constructed on it, is now being purchased and a program of starting out to get this camp well underway by summer vacation is now being pushed. Any member who has had training and experience in camping, swimming and other outdoor activities may submit their names and references to Local No. 12 for one of the positions which will be open when the camp actually gets underway. It will be necessary to have the services of several cooks, caretaker, instructors and nurses. These applications should be accompanied with the history of your experience and references in the care and handling of children and, of course, the applicant must be willing to conduct themselves along very strict lines in the way of personal conduct.

Perhaps you may have heard the slogan, "As we live, so we grow." To me, it indicates that this project which we are now entering into is the very foundation upon which our lives depend. No one generation can live long enough to accomplish all of the good which should be available to those who work for a living. It; therefore, behooves each and everyone of us to get behind this program which is building for the future.

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Hope, A Human Dynamo, Is Challenge To Everybody

Bob Hope, the nearest thing to perpetual motion that Hollywood has as yet turned out, is a human puzzle over which the professors of the higher branches of dynamics are inclined to brood.

Nobody, so far, has been quite able to figure out what keeps him going at the furious and relentless pace that reduces lesser mortals to nervous wrecks.

One reasen why research into the phenomenon of Hope's apparently unlimited energy has been hampered, is the fact that it is practically an impossibility to get the subject to stand still long enough for a scientific investigation. People have been known to stalk Mr. Ski-Nose for weeks in an attempt to catch him in an immbilized attitude. The mission invariably has been reported as unaccomplished, due to conditions beyond control.

Hope's great and good friend, Bing Crosby (no stick-in-the-mud himself), insists that Bob doesn't walk in his sleep. Instead, he runs the 220 and the mile, does the high hurdles and the pole vault.

The past summer, Robert, with nothing else but a radio program, overseas broadcasts, benefit appearances, many master of ceremony chores, book writing and a few other odds and ends to do, felt time hanging heavily on his hands. So he rounded up a troupe of entertainers, chartered a couple of transport planes and went on the air road for a month. In 30 days, Hope & Co. played 33 cities and Bob added 18,000 miles to his flying log.

It was an exhausting tour—for everyone but Hope. He wound up looking as fresh and funny as when he started. When he got back home, he had nothing to do for a week, an unheard of and unendurable state of affairs. He quickly remedied that overnight by starting his latest comedy for Paramount, "My Favorite Brunette," now showing at the Paramount Theatre, with Dorothy Lamour co-starred. He's not only the male star of the mirth and murder show, but was also Paramount's partner in the film's production.

Naturally, being the head man, he arranged a fairly easy work program for himself. He only worked every day of the 48-day shooting schedule.

"That meant," Bob gloats, "that I could play golf weekdays at lunchtime, and Sundays after church.

Patricial Neal, one of the stars in Lillian Hellman's new hit play on Broadway, "Another Part of The Forest."

Craig New Member Of Business Group

HOLLYWOOD — This actor's outside business has grown so big he has had to join a Chamber of Commerce.

James Craig is the newest member of the Van Nuys commerce body. He is one of the largest raisers of turkeys and chickens in the San Fernando Valley, with an annual capacity on his ranch of 180,000 fryers and 3,000 turkeys.

Craig recently completed a featured role, with Lucille Bremer, in M-G-M's "Dark Delusion."

Grayson Knew She'd See This Premiere!

HOLLYWOOD—Kathryn Grayson, singing star of "Till the Clouds Roll By," was certain to get in for the first Brooklyn world premiere, that of M-G-M's "It Happened in Brooklyn"—hat is, she knew she would get in if anybody would.

For not only did she get away between her five-a-day personal appearances at the New York Capitol Theater to make a personal appearance at the premiere but she had this note as a sort of "insurance:"

"Dear Miss Grayson: You are cordially invited to attend the first showing of a Frank Sinatra picture in Brooklyn. Signed — Frank Sinatra Fan Club.

"P. S.—If you bring this invitation to the door you will have no trouble being admitted!"

Van Johnson May Be 'Group' Guest

HOLLYWOOD — Marshall Thompson has formed a Little Theater Group in which he will serve in the three-way capacity of actor, writer and director.

The Group will use the top floor of a new professional building Thompson's father, a prominent dentist, has just built in Westwood Village. Complete with a' stage, auditorium and seats, the room will be ideal for play presentations.

Thompson hopes to have Van Johnson, with whom he recently appeared in M-G-M's "The Missouri Story," as guest star in an early production.

MOTORCYCLE ADDICT

Barry Fitzgerald refuses to drive an automobile Instead, he rides a motorcycle to and from Paramount studios where he is currently appearing in "California."

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

50 Years Wed, Will See 'Song Of Love'

HOLLYWOOD — When Mrs. Paul Henreid's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Gluck, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last week, Henreid, starring with Katharine Hepburn and Robert Walker in M-G-M's "Song of Love," arranged to show a print of that picture to all at the party as soon as a print is ready.

Appropriately, "Song of Love" tells of the deathless romance of Robert and Clara Schumann.

More than 100 friends of the two families were at the golden wedding party, with the Henreids' little girls, Monica and Mimi, in the receiving line with their grandparents.

Kerr Rhymes With Star, As In Films

HOLLYWOOD — Deborah Kerr was explaining to visiting newspapermen on the set of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Clark Gable-Kerr starring picture "The Hucksters" that her surname rhymes with car — that being the way the Scotch say it.

"What she should say, but is too modest to do so," quipped Keenan Wynn, "is that it rhymes with star—as in screen star!"

Aids For Beauty

"Twenty strokes of the brush," says Jimmy Durante, "gives my hair that seductive wind-blown appearance which I recommend to all sexes including Lassie." Jimmy is being prettied up for his next M-G-M picture, "It Happened in Brooklyn", now at the Valentine.

STAR'S SECOND BOOK

Edard Arnold is currently at work on a continuation of his biography, he revealed recently on the set of Paramount's "Dear Ruth." The first book, covering his years on the stage and his first talkie films, has been highly successful.

LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE

The old-time serial sequence of Paramount's "Perils of Pauline" starring Betty Hutton as Pearl White, were directed by Louis Gasnier, who directed Pearl White in the original serial, "The Perils of Pauline," in 1914.

Art Gilmore Assigned Role In Curtiz' "The Unsuspected"

Art Gilmore has been set for the role of the radio announcer in Michael Curtiz Productions' forthcoming drama, "The Unsuspected," which will be released by Warner Bros.

Curtiz is directing and Charles Hoffman is producing "The Unsuspected" for the company.

"Devil Ship"' First For Mooney

"Devil Ship" will be the first of six pictures which Martin Mooney was signed to produce for Columbia. The screenplay, to be written by Lawrence Taylor, will be based on an original story by Mooney about a small ship which formerly plied between San Francisco and Alcatraz.

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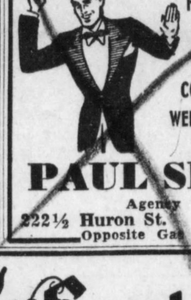
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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation
Sports Editor

Elaborate plans are being made for the Summer Health Camp, proposed by Richard Gosser, director of Region 2-B, UAW-CIO, to be located on Sand Lake, Michigan, and sponsored by Local 12.

Birdie Rule

The camp site was examined a few weeks ago by a committee which recommended the purchase from the Will-O-Land Sportsman's Club, and final arrangements were made this week to acquire the property. It is now the possession of Local 12 and will be converted into a summer camp for boys and girls.

The children of Local 12 members will be given first consideration for enrollment at the camp, but other groups will be invited to attend. Each week, several orphans and underprivileged children of Toledo will be the guests of Director Gosser and Local 12.

A full program of activities and outdoor adventure will be set up by the Local 12 Recreation Department for the boys and girls between the ages of eight and fourteen who attend the camp. Every precaution will be taken to safeguard the health and welfare of the campers. Each boy and girl will be examined and inoculated before leaving for camp and full time camp counsellors will be on hand to instruct and protect the children. A Red Cross nurse will be present at all times for any emergency which may arise.

A substantial amount of money donated by Local 12, plus donations from Toledo's public spirited and kind hearted citizens will be used for the operation of the camp. The figures for operation of a camp of this size are enormous, but it is hoped that with the proper management and endowments, the camp will be a success and available to the children for many years to come.

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Followers of Local 12 sports will be interested to know that two of the members have received their "big chance" in baseball. Norm Schweikert, of the Swartzbaugh Unit, is in spring training at the Fayetteville, N. C. farm camp of the Chicago Cubs. Johnny Juhasz, a fine basketball player of the DeVilbiss Unit, has been called to the spring camp of the Cubs' farm at Clinton, Iowa. Their friends at Local 12 are wishing the boys success and hope that they "make the grade."

Sick Call

One day Pie Traynor was put out of a game as a Pirate. It shocked the baseball writers, because they knew Pie didn't swear at umpires. One of the writers asked Bill Klem why he threw Traynor out. Klem never lost for words, came back: "I had to let him recover from his illness. Pie came up to me and in a very polite and firm voice, said, 'I'm getting sick and tired of your silly decisions'."

Biggest score of the 1946 American League season was the 18 to 8 win scored by Boston May 18 against St. Louis. The Red Sox snapped out of a hitting slump that afternoon with 17 safeties, including a Ted Williams homer, and they never suffered a serious slump from then on until they had clinched the flag Sept. 13.

Who has won the most National League batting crowns?

Hans Wagner, Pitts ss' led the NL in 1900, '03, '04, '06, '07, '08 '09, '11.

The Outdoorsman

By Frank Molik

Now that the ice fishing season has run itself out, Local 12's army of fair weather fishermen is on its way.

Several of the boys are reporting early fishing trips to Bolles Harbor, Sterling State Park, Point Place and Sandusky Bay. But as yet no one has turned up with catches worth getting excited about.

Ernie Kubacki of DeVilbiss and Ted Modrowski of American Can report that they are all set and waiting, with their fishing gears in tip-top shape. Ernie seems more concerned than ever. I wonder if it is because of the new Outboard Motor.

Ed Turski and Ken Reno of the Gordon Unit have been fishing Bolles Harbor and Point Place for the past week. The first day out they reported nothing but wet feet and a hungry gut. The next time out they did manage to scare an undersized Bullhead into sampling their worms. Yesterday the report improved somewhat. It seems Ed met a fisherman that knew of another fisherman that caught a dozn nice ones, so considering all reports it looks like spring fishing is about to begin. Lets hope so anyway, I'm as anxious as anyone for a mess of early spring fish.

It looks like Ohio's inland fishing is also on its way. Although most of Ohio's inland lakes remain covered with several inches of honey-combed ice waiting for the spring winds to start the "break-up." Ohio bass fishermen report many fine catches from creeks and rivers last week especially in the southern half of the state.

Streams of the smaller class, having swift currents, throughout the winter are seldom if ever completely frozen over although ice several inches in thickness formed almost to the center from both banks. A few days of March sunshine such as most southern counties have experienced already has entirely cleared most of the streams.

Experienced fishermen claim to begin just as soon as the edges or bays clear; this exposes that portion of the lake to the warm spring air for a day or so, and fish at this time of the year will head for the warm water.

Northwestern Ohio Teams To Bowl

There will be more than 100 teams entered in the Fourth Annual Region 2-B Bowling Tournament when the keglers start off, April 12, 13, 14, at the Bowl-O-Drome lanes, according to Walter Madrzykowski, general chairman of the tourney.

Many new entries have been received during the past week, which brought the total well over the century mark. Teams which haven't participated before in the Region 2-B tournaments have been enrolled this year and Chairman Madrzykowski takes this as a reminder that the 1947 classic will be the largest to date.

Entries have been closed and those entered will be notified this week as to the time when they will bowl in the handicap event.

The team receiving the highest total of actual pinfall will be awarded a "leg" on the beautiful Loew's Valentine trophy, together with individual replicas of the trophy for each member of the team. The entire amount of entry fees will be returned to the teams in awards.

According to the present plans, the awards will be made by screen and stage stars, which will give the Region 2-B Bowling Tournament national prominence and a great amount of publicity to the winning teams. Negotiations are now being made with some of the most prominet screen and radio personalities, for the presentations, but for obvious reasons, their names must remain unannounced.

The Willys-Overland Unit leads with 37 teams, followed by The Toledo Pipe Threading, Spicer, Champion Spark Plug, Auto-Lite, Standard Commutator Units with several other entries. The Unitcast Corporation will enter eight teams and other outfits from Lima, Marion, Port Clinton plus other Ohio cities will be represented when the bowling starts.

Golden Gloves Champs On Local 12 Show

An All-Champion Boxing Show, for the benefit of the Local 12 Youth Camp, will be held at the Civic Auditorium, Friday, May 2. Local 12 is sponsoring the show which will bring together the eight Golden Gloves Champions of Toledo including Art Rae, Buddy Carr, Cliff King, Dick McConnel, Benny Perales, Sammy Ross, Troy Johnson, and Pat (Spunky) Lowery with another Golden Gloves boxing team from another Ohio city.

All of the proceeds will be donated for the promotion of the Local 12 Youth Camp at Sand Lake, Michigan, which was purchased this week.

Tickets, which will be sold at popular prices, are being distributed and may be purchased from shop chairmen and the usual downtown ticket agencies.

Local 12 Basketball Season Nearing End

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Interest In Bowling Tourney Runs High

Basketball Division Title Holders

The basketeers pictured above are members of the DeVilbiss Unit which won the championship of the American Division of the Local 12 Basketball League. At present, this team is one of the leaders of the Round Robin basketball tournament.

The players are left to right, front row, Ed Kanney, Earl Hawkins, and Bob Romberger. Back row, Dick Welch, Harry Heldt, manager, Art Taylor, and Johnny Juhasz. Other team members not present when the picture was taken are Ben Porter, Ralph Lamson, Bill Avent, and Bob Klein.

One Team Unbeaten In Round Robin Tourney

After three weeks of play, the Gordon Mfg. Unit team is the only undefeated outfit in the Local 12 Basketball League Round Robin Tournament. The tournament is expected to end in about two weeks, according of Bob Barker, manager of the Local 12 Basketball League.

In the games played Wednesday night in Westminster Gymnasium, the following teams were victorious in their contests: Spicer Unit No. 1, Spicer Unit No. 2 and Gordon Mfg. Unit. These three teams will remain in the tournament for further competition. Those defeated and eliminated from the ranks of contenders for the championship were Plaskon Unit, Champion Spark Plug, Toledo Tools, Swartzbaugh Unit, and Auto-Lite. Unit.

On Wednesday night Spicer Unit No. 2 team defeated the National Supply players by the score of 45 to 40. This was an exceptionally good game and closely fought throughout, with Don Schuette being the leading scorer of the game, collecting 13 points for the Spicerites.

Bob Barker

The DeVilbiss team, champion of the American Division of the Local 12 Basketball League, showed superb form as they beat the stubborn outfit of the Plaskon Unit, 45 to 37. Ed Kanney, who has been a spark plug in the DeVilbiss success, again was high man with 14 points for his team's victory.

The National Division championship Gordon Mfg. Unit team was much too strong for the Spicer Unit No. 1 team and gave the latter the first setback of the Round Robin tournament which is a "double knockout" affair. Bill Knapp, of the Gordon team, was too elusive and slipped by the Spicer Unit No. 1 guards for an individual total of 24 points.

Play in the tournament will continue next Monday night at Westminster Gymnasium. These games are free to the basketball fans of Toledo.

Michigan's Greatest

Michigan's greatest all-time football players?

That's a highly debatable question since the Wolverines have had 28 All-Americans since 1903, but Bennie Oosterbaan, Backfield coach (incidently thrice-All-American himself), recalls an answer the late Fielding H. Yost once gave in answer to a similar question.

A reporter asked Mr. Yost how Willie Heston, Michigan's first All-American, would have fared against the studied and scientific defenses of today.

Mr. Yost replied: "When Willie Heston played halfback at Michigan, there was no forward pass to worry the defense. There was little or no deception, such as has been developed in modern football. The defense knew when and where Heston was going, and it massed to meet him. Yet he scored 600 points from 1901 through 1904 and he gained miles of ground. He never called time out, never was hurt.

"If they couldn't stop him then, knowing all that—what would he have done today?"

National Crow Shoot Dates Set

Crow shooters throughout the nation will head for Grand Rapids, Ohio, armed with shotguns, stuffed owl decoys and mechancial crow calls in June to compete for the 1947 National Crow Shooting Championship. The event has been scheduled for June 13 and 15.

GOLFERS!

"Wanna play in the Local 12 Golf League this season?"

Enroll your Unit four-man team in the League for competition against your buddies in the other Local 12 plants.

Get your team together and contact the Local 12 Recreation Director. A meeting will be called for the golfers, soon, to discuss plans for the coming season.

Local 12 will sponsor, also, two handicap golf tournaments during the summer months. There will be prizes galore and a full day of entertainment will be offered to those taking part in the golf tournament.

Watch the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL for further details.

If a contestant is thrown out of the ring in a wrestling match how many seconds must elapse before he is counted out?

The contestant is allowed 20 seconds to return to the ring as against 10 seconds for boxing.

Baseball In Brief:

Carl DeRose, who'll bid for a pitching job with the New York Yankees this spring, was born in Minnesota—but it was at Albany, California, that this blond young giant popped up as a schoolboy pitching phenom. Hailed as the "Bob Feller of the Bay Region", Carl fanned 21 batsmen in his final prep game and in his first start in organized ball in 1942 with Amsterdam, N. Y., he hurled a three-hit shutout.

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Infielder Dick Adams, who gets a trial with the Philadelphia Athletics this spring and whose brother Bob is with the Cincinnati Reds, was with Fresno in 1941, the year Bob played with Columbia of the Sally league. In a night game Dick had six hits in six trips and hustled off a letter to brother Bob, modestly mentioning his feat. Three days later he received a reply. Bob had made six hits for Columbia in as many trips to the plate—on the same night that Dick had his big evening!

Softball Meeting

There will be a meeting of managers of teams to be entered in the Local 12 Softball League on Friday, April 11 at 8 p. m.

All managers and players interested in the league are invited to attend this organizational meeting to discuss the coming season and to make plans for the operation of the League.

The meeting will be held in the Local 12 Recreation Department, Room 209, 425 Winthrop St.

Dutch Leonard, longtime knuckle-ball star flinger with Washington who was sold to the Philadelphia National league club, took with him a lifetime American League record of 101 victories — the 100th and 101st wins coming last September in his last two starts and being, respectively, over New York and the Philadelphia Athletics.

SNAKE SPEED

Snakes cannot travel as fast as some people suspect. One species of king snake has a top speed of only .72 miles an hour, while the red racer of California, said to be the fastest, can travel just a trifle more than three miles an hour.

LOCAL 12 BASKETBALL LEAGUE

ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT
Schedule, Monday, April 7

Westminster Gym, Locust & Superior St.

7:00 P. M. National Supply vs Gordon Mfg. Unit
8:00 P. M. Spicer Unit No. 1 vs DeVilbiss Unit

All Local 12 Basketball League games are free to the public.

LOCAL 12 SOFTBALL LEAGUE 1947—ENTRY BLANK—1947

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